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REMARKS

In the Office Action, claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite because they contain trademarks/trade names, unclear and indefinite terms. Specification and Abstract are objected to for containing essentially a verbatim repetition of the independent claim.

In response, claims 1-15 are now cancelled. New claims 16-30 are presented to clearly define the invention in a patentable way to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112. More specifically, all the trademarks and trade names are replaced with generic terms in the claims. For example, WINDOWS SERVER (including NT, 2000, XP, and all descended server OS) and LINUX operating systems are presented as first and second operating systems in new claim 16.

Furthermore, generic commands or programs are described in the new claims instead of "useradd" or "SAMBA" which is only exemplary. Similarly, "smb.conf", "httpd.conf", "access.conf" are also exemplary and they are presented in the new claims as some generic configuration files.


Claims 16-30 have been written to remove the indefiniteness and informalities of claims 1-15 pointed out by the examiner so as to comply with the requirements set forth in 35 U.S.C. §112. They should have overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 and are now in full condition for allowance. The specification has been carefully amended to capitalize the trademarks used. The Summary section is rewritten to briefly summarize

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the nature of the invention for those interested in the invention instead of a verbatim repetition of the independent claim. Similarly, the Abstract is also rewritten to provide a concise abstract of the invention. Many editorial and grammatical errors in the specification were also corrected. Drawing FIG. 1 is amended to capitalize the trademarks and some annotations. The attached informal drawing sheet is an annotated version showing the changes submitted for approval. Formal drawings will be submitted by post office mail after the application is allowed to ensure adequate for patent publication. Prompt and favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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